

## Temperance Column.

By the Ocala Temperance Reform Club.

Edited by J. A. Munden.

The Club meets every Sunday afternoon at four o'clock in Temperance Hall. The Public are invited.

READ, PUBLISH, ACT.

[Action of Georgia delegation at Ghattanooga Epworth League Conference. By an unforeseen hindrance the question did not get before the conference, which would doubtless have indorsed it.]

Inasmuch as the morals of our people are worth more than cotton and all material things, and inasmuch as the coming Atlanta Cotton States and International Exposition has, through one of its officers, sent us an invitation to have one day of said exposition as Epworth League day, therefore be it

1. Resolved, That we respectfully decline such invitation, giving as our reason the granting of concessions to the liquor traffic for the sale of intoxicants despite the earnest protestations of the Church. We cannot afford to go in league with, but faithfully oppose this or any other enterprise whatever, which is so closely allied to that demon of death, the grog shop.

2. That we kindly request all religious and temperance papers to publish these resolutions.

CRAWFORD JACKSON,  
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W. P. SEARCY.

### SOME REASONS FOR SUCH ACTION.

1. Legal.—If the liquor traffic is criminal in its devices and deeds, as the church and eminent jurists have declared a thousand times, then the coming Atlanta exposition, according to the code of Georgia, is principal in the second degree in its crimes; is accessory before the fact; is to be accessory after the fact, and is punishable as principal in the first degree.

Code of Georgia, Part 4, Title 1, Division 11, Sections 4305-9.

Transfer the idea from a person to a company, and the case is clear.

2. Disciplinary.—Who can take such diversion in the name of the Lord Jesus?

Again, in Chapter V, Paragraph 216, of the Discipline, a member of the Methodist church is prohibited from renting property for the sale or manufacture of intoxicating liquors.

The violator of this paragraph is deemed guilty of immorality and subject to trial.

If said exposition were a person and a member of the Methodist church—and what about its officers?—it could be expelled for such immorality.

And those who aid and abet, by their presence and support, the liquor-purchased exposition, are, according to Georgia's code and the Discipline, principals in the second degree in this manifest immorality.

3 Scriptural.—"Be ye not unequally yoked together with unbelievers: for what fellowship hath righteousness with unrighteousness?"

This exposition reaches out one hand to the liquor traffic and the other to the church.

One hand is accepted, and is to be replenished with blood and soul money.

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pull them to financial success.

What are you going to do about it?

"As for me and my house," and as many more as I can influence, we will "come out from among them and be separate."

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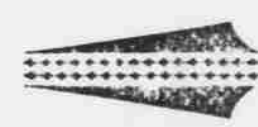
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